

CHILDSWICKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Childswickham Parish Council Meeting held at The Memorial Hall on Thursday 10th May 2018 at 7.15 PM.

PRESENT Cllr's Ms S Lewis, Mr R Deakin, Mr A Halling (Chairman), Mr J Lowe, Mr G Sanders and Mr J Wade.

IN ATTENDANCE Ms J Shields (Clerk), a parishioner and Cllr's E Eyre (County and District).

A parishioner brought to the attention of the council

- Speeding in Hinton Road.
- The slowness of the repair to the fence in the play area.
- Bus service.

Chairman's report.

In May the council started with seven members Sarah Lewis, Ralph Deakin, Scott Higgins, John Lowe, Geoff Saunders and Jon Wade, due to work commitments Scott Higgins resigned and was replaced by co-option with Allan Parker.

The council agreed to move its meeting to approx. every 6 weeks.

Dog fouling and speeding continues to be a problem for our parish, Cllr Wade's strategy to help reduce speed seems to be parked with WCC Highways.

One set of white gates have been installed.

Still waiting for Church Lane to be resurfaced.

Salt/grit had been bought and Mr Newbury was appointed to the role of 'snow and ice clearer'.

The railway car park is being closely monitored as it could have an impact on the village, the Severn Trent Survey of the village Sewers is still ongoing.

The council agreed to continue with the Lengthsman scheme. Steve is unfortunately unwell but he hopes to return in the summer, Maurice Parkinson has carried out some lengthsman duties.

Cllr Saunders organised an unveiling event of the equipment provided by Mrs Douch.

The PC has had WIFI put in the hall and pays for the broadband, however broadband speed is still a problem for some residents.

The council increased the precept by 1.69% on a tax band D. to £7,650.00.

The clerk had tried to get a mobile post office call in the villages but unfortunately got nowhere!

1. Election Of Chairman.

Cllr Lowe proposed, Cllr Deakin seconded and it was agreed to elect Cllr Halling as Chairman.

2. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr's Mr Alan Parker, Mr B Thomas (District) and PCSO P Schoenrock.

3. Election of Vice Chairman.

Cllr Wade proposed, Cllr Sanders seconded and it was agreed to elect Cllr Lowe as Vice Chairman.

4. Declaration of Interests.

Councillors were reminded to update their registers of interest and to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and their nature.

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5. Minutes Of Childswickham Parish Council Meeting Held On the 29th March 2018.

The minutes of the meeting, having been previously circulated, were agreed as a true record and signed.

6. To Review The Following :-

a. Standing Order.

Cllr Lowe had reviewed the standing orders on behalf of the council.

b. Financial Regulations

Cllr Sanders had found several minor items that need amending, the council agreed to the changes.

c. Code of Conduct.

Cllr Lewis had reviewed and altered the format.

d. Risk Assessment.

Cllr Lewis to re write the risk assessment for the next meeting.

e. Insurance Requirements.

All in order.

f. Councils Policies with the changes implemented in GDPR.

Cllr Lewis to look at the policies for the next meeting.

7. To Appoint Members To The Following

a) Staffing group Cllr's S Lewis and Mr J Lowe.

b) Planning Working Party Cllr's Ms S Lewis, Mr Sanders, Mr Parker, Mr Wade, Mr J Lowe and Mr R Deakin.

c) Clerks Finance Support Group Cllr J Wade.

8. To Appoint Individual Officers To The Following Roles.

a) Worcestershire Parish Councils Association. Cllr Deakin and Cllr Sanders.

b) Emergency Officer. Cllr Halling

c) Press Officer. Cllr Lewis

9. Finance.

a) To Consider Invoices for Payment.

The Council agreed the following items for payment;-

W CALC	Subs	£478.20
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N Newbury	Grass	£450.00
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R Hawkins	Grass	£110.00
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b) Financial Report.

The following remittances had been received.

WDC	Precept and grant	£3826.00
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WCC	Lengthsman- M Parkinson	£230.00
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c) To agree the continuation of the lengthsman scheme.

The council agreed to continue with the lengthsman scheme.

10. Correspondence.

Fly tipping had been reported to Wychavon.

Cllr Sanders would like to attend the GDPR training session on the May 23rd.

11. To Receive The Report Form The Internal Auditor 2017/2018.

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Mr Rhodes had audited the accounts and processes and had found one receipt missing and advised that the accounts presented at each meeting should be signed by a councillor.

12. To Approve The Governance Statement For 2017/2018.

The council agreed the Governance Statement and the chairman signed the form.

13. To Approve The Accounts For 2017/2018.

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14. To Discuss the Refurbishment of the Phone Box.

Ongoing.

15. To Discuss the Notice Board in Wickham Court.

Cllr Halling to look at the lock.

16. Planning.

a. For Consideration.

None received.

b. To Ratify The Comments For Applications and Appeals Submitted Since The Last Meeting.

None received.

c. Decided by Wychavon.

Approved by Wychavon.

18/00423/HP - 12 Hinton Road Childswickham Broadway.

18/00283/HP – Brooklea Evesham Road Broadway

8/00365/HP - Lan Kidden Murcot.

17. Reports.

a. Clerk.

Report had been circulated.

Clerk to attempt again to get a mobile Post Office to come to Childswickham.

b. County Councillor.

Report circulated.

c. District Councillor.

Report had been circulated.

d. List Of County, District And Parish Responsibilities.

Awaiting back form from Cllr Eyre.

e. Police Report.

Report circulated.

f. Play area.

Cllr Sanders, Cllr Halling and Mr Newbury had made a temporary repair to the fence after it had been partly demolished due to the theft of a caravan from a neighbouring property. Cllr Sanders had obtained two quotes of about £3,500, which the council felt were too expensive, further quotes will be obtained.

g. Speeding and HGV's.

Ongoing – awaiting results of 'strips'.

18. Councillors Reports and Items For Future Agenda.

- Cllr Wade asked if Cllr Parker would like to take back the responsibility of the defibrillator.
- Cllr Deakin informed the council of his change of E Mail address.

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- Concerns had been raised regarding approved application no 18/00423/HP.
- Residents are concerned about light pollution from the Childswickham Arms, the industrial units and Leedons- Cllr Eyre to look into this.
- Potholes in Blacksmith Lane have still not been attended to.

19. Date of Next Meeting.

Thursday 5th July 2018